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Dear Sir:

The Amendment After Final of June 12, 2003 was not entered.

Please amend the specification and claims as follows:

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Please amend the paragraph on page 2, spanning lines 20-28 to read as follows:

The method according to claim 1 has now been invented for distributing According to one aspect of the invention feed-water is effectively distributed to the beginning of the heat-transfer surfaces of a falling film evaporator by removing the gases dissolved in the water and preventing them from redissolving at the same time. Another object of the invention is the device according to claim 2 which makes it possible In accordance with another aspect, in a falling film evaporator, in the same operation, to remove the gases are removed from the feed-water and to it is distributed it evenly into the tube bundle of the evaporator. The apparatus comprises an evaporator top and at least one spraying device arranged therein. In this case, the spraying device is a nozzle, a mist sprayer or a similar device for creating a spray of liquid of a given shape.